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Fraser's
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George W. Fraser
Dahlia Specialist
Willimantic, Connecticut

GREETINGS

In presenting my 1926 catalog, I wish to express my deep appreciation for the liberal support extended to me, also for the many kind words and letters received during the year.

My stock is larger than ever, but my policy of testing every variety in my own trial garden before listing in my catalog, still stands, and as expressed in former catalogs YOU TAKE NO CHANCES WHEN ORDERING FROM THIS LIST.

During the fall of 1925 I judged many shows throughout New England, New York, New Jersey, and Maryland; also the A. D. S. Trial Gardens at Storrs, Conn., and College Park, Md., also the Dahlia Society of N. J. Trial Gardens, New Brunswick, N. J., so had an opportunity to see all the worth while varieties in the east, and it is a source of satisfaction to know that the East is unsurpassed in the production of new varieties.

Thanking you again for past favors, assuring you to do all in my power to merit a continuance of your kind patronage

Respectfully yours,

GEO. W. FRASER.

Member of The American Dahlia Society
The New England Dahlia Society
The Maryland Dahlia Society
The Connecticut Horticultural Society
The Society of American Florists.

I have arranged with Mr. Paul A. Davis, Plaistow, N. H., to introduce his new Cactus Dahlia

“FARNCOT”

Farncot gained the A. D. S. Certificate of Merit at Storrs, Conn., 1924 scoring 86 points.

The color is Aster purple, tipped white. The flowers have perfect form and are carried on top of good stiff stems. This variety is very distinct and should be included in every collection.

The best keeping cactus on the market.

Price, strong clean field grown tubers, \$5.00 each. Plants \$2.50.

Orders filled in strict rotation.

GENERAL INFORMATION

PLEASE READ BEFORE ORDERING

ORDER EARLY—All orders filled in rotation—ordering early insures reservation of varieties that may later be sold out.

Small orders receive the same careful attention as the large ones.

SUBSTITUTION—Orders are filled with varieties called for, and, I never substitute unless directed to do so.

GUARANTEE—I guarantee every root, and plant, to be true to name and in good growing condition when sent out by me. I will cheerfully replace any that may prove otherwise, but will not be held responsible for any amount in excess of the purchase price.

Do not plant roots (tubers) immediately on receipt of same. Put them in a warm, moist place, cover lightly with damp sand, soil, or moss, and when they begin to sprout, plant where desired. If, for any reason, roots (tubers) fail to sprout, return same to me with tag attached, and I will replace same with a perfect root. **However, I will not be responsible** if they are kept in a too dry place a long time before planting, or otherwise abused.

SHIPPING—I begin shipping dahlia roots (tubers) after May 1st, unless notified for earlier delivery. Green plants after May 25th. Dahlias ordered shipped before April 15th will be sent only at **Purchaser's risk** of drying out or freezing.

TERMS—Cash with order or in advance of shipment. No goods sent C. O. D. unless 50 per cent. of purchase price accompanies order.

REMITTANCES—Should be made by bank draft, post office money order or registered letter. Postage stamps accepted up to \$2.00.

SIZE OF ROOTS—(Tubers) the size of the root does not in any way indicate the size of the plant, or flower. Some varieties of dahlias always produce small roots, while other varieties make large ones. A good many of the best varieties have very small roots, so do not consider small roots worthless. Any root with a good growing bud will grow, and make a good plant if properly looked after.

CULTURAL DIRECTIONS—Inclosed in with each order.

ERRORS—In the rush of the shipping season errors are possible to occur. Kindly notify me promptly so that proper adjustment can be made at once. Kindly keep a copy of your order for comparison.

INVITATION

Is cordially extended to all dahlia lovers to visit my gardens, where you may see thousands of beautiful blooms in all their glory.

My gardens are located on the Willimantic-Norwich state road, adjoining the Willimantic Camp Ground. Can be reached by auto and trolley. Five minutes from center of city.

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ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS LIST:

- C.—Cactus
 H. C.—Hybrid Cactus
 DEC—Decorative
 Sh.—Show
 Pf.—Paeony. Flowered
 COL.—Collarette

A. D. S. CLASSIFICATION OF DAHLIAS SEE OUTSIDE BACK COVER

	Tuber	Plant
Abbie E. Wilkins. (Bessie Boston) H. C. —Large flowers of a light flesh color with reverse of cerise. Free flowering, good stem	\$ 1.00	\$
Abonita. (Seal) Dec. —A lovely flower of a bright, glowing violet pink shading to a rich golden yellow at the center. Good depth and formation. Good stem.....	2.00	1.00
Al. Koran (Davis) Dec. —A very attractive variety. The large golden yellow blooms are carried on good stems well above the foliage. Each petal is slightly waved which makes it very attractive in the garden.....	3.00	1.50
Alice Whittier (Reed) New 1926 H. C. —Color delicate shade of primrose yellow. Large flowers of good depth carried on strong, stiff stems. A. D. S. Certificate of Merit, Storrs, Conn. 1924	10.00	5.00
Alex. Waldie. (Broomall) Dec. —One of the most beautiful dahlias, large flowers on good stems, color creamy ground overlaid with delicate salmon pink	1.50	.75
Ambassador. (Broomall) C. —Soft yellow buff, shaded Salmon Pink, fine form, very large, perfect stems, excellent keeper, strong grower. The best cactus to date	3.00	1.50
Amber Glow. (Bessie Boston) C. —A bright yellow deepening to pale orange at the center, large flower. the petals are long, narrow, and straight. Fine for exhibition and garden	1.50	.75
Americana. (Bessie Boston) Dec. —Large flowers, color deep rose pink. Long stiff stems	2.50	1.25
Antoinette (Bessie Boston) H. C. —Pinkish lavender, very free flowering variety with good form and substance....	4.00	2.00
Ballet Girl. (Bessie Boston) C. —The highest type of English Cactus, hard to describe, the highest percentage of flowers are orange with white edge, but all kinds of variations will be found on the same plant. Free flowering, and one of the best for exhibiting. Keeps well when cut	1.50	.75

	Tuber	Plant
Bertha Jost (Jost) Dec. —A very handsome free flowering variety. The large flowers are of a deep sulphur yellow, outer petals blended with peach pink, and burnt orange, carried on long stiff stems. Fine for exhibition, or cutting on account of its keeping qualities	3.00	1.50
Bonnie Brae. (Broomall) Dec. —Large flowers of perfect form. The color is a pale sulphur yellow, shading to creamy white suffused with rose pink	1.00	
California Superba (Wintjen-Bessie Boston) Dec. —A narrow petaled variety of a delicate shade of pink, shading to white towards the center. Long stiff stems; free flowering	3.00	1.50
Canteen. (Vincent) Dec. —A coming commercial variety, the color is a pleasing tone of lizarine pink; free flowering, splendid stem. A. D. S. certificate, Storrs, Conn. 1923	1.50	
Cambria. (Burrell)* Dec. —Massive full flowers, with broad petals of rich rose pink, lighter towards center. Long stiff stems	2.00	1.00
Champagne. (Bessie Boston) Dec. —This wonderful variety has everything to commend it; perfect form, size, stem, free flowering, and a distinct color, described by its Introducer as "golden champagne with chamoise shadings."	3.50	1.75
Charm. (Marean) Dec. —Very pleasing shade of burnt orange shading yellow, large flower, strong stems, good grower	2.00	1.00
Charles Stratton (Chester-F. & M.) Dec. —A great exhibition variety; the large fluffy flowers are a beautiful blending of pale gold shaded and tipped with old rose. Good stem	7.50	3.50
Cigarette. (Bessie Boston) H. C. —Variegated variety, the color is creamy white heavily edged with red and orange, but no two flowers are alike. Long strong stems, and good form	1.50	.75
City of Lawrence (Reed) Dec. —One of the best yellow decorative dahlias to date. The flowers are large and of good depth, very free flowering; stem slightly drooping. A. D. S. Certificate of Merit, Storrs, Conn. 1923, (88 points)	5.00	2.50
Conchita (Bessie Boston) Dec. —Lavender pink, large flowers on fine stems, very free flowering	3.50	1.75
Constancy (Seal) Dec. —Large flowers, of deep glowing pink; long stiff stems	3.00	1.50

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Creamo. H. Sh. —Color, deep straw. Immense flower on long stem75	
Cuban Giant. Sh. —Dark crimson maroon; large flower, long stems35	
Daddy Butler. (Bessie Boston) H. C. —An attractive shade of Rose Carmine. Large flowers on good stems	2.50	1.25
Dakota. (Marean) Dec. —Flame color; large flower on strong stem; vigorous grower; splendid for garden or exhibition	1.00	
Dreamlight (Bessie Boston) Pf. —An early flowering peony variety of pale rose pink; profuse bloomer, and very attractive; good stem	2.00	1.00
Dr. Tevis. (Pelicano) Dec. —A beautiful shade of salmon rose, shading to old gold and apricot towards center; the reverse of petals old rose. Extra large flowers on strong stems. A sure prize winner	1.00	
Dolly Varden (Bessie Boston) Dec. —A narrow petaled decorative, the irregular formation of the petals, give it a very artistic appearance. The color is true pink, with creamy center. Fine stem	3.00	1.50
Elite Glory (Kennedy) Dec. New 1926 —The most sensational Dahlia of the season. It is a monstrous flower of a brilliant rich red color, without any apparent purple or maroon shading. Its blooms and foliage are gigantic in size, and strange to say, not awkward in appearance, but very pleasing and graceful. Elite Glory is regarded as a "Break" in the Dahlia World, and cannot be surpassed for spectacular effect, either for exhibition or garden purposes. One of its many good features is its keeping quality as a cut flower. Elite Glory has the honor of winning the following prizes and certificates in 1924: First prize for largest bloom in N. J. State Show, Trenton, N. J.; first prize for largest bloom in Monmouth County Horticultural Show at Red Bank, N. J.; certificate of merit at New Brunswick, N. J.; certificate of merit at Caldwell, N. J., certificate of merit at Red Bank, N. J.; certificate of merit for best undisseminated seedling in A. D. S. Show at New York, N. Y.; scored 92—exhibition at A. D. S. Trial grounds, at Storrs, Conn., also recommended for Gold Medal; scored 91—exhibition at N. J. Dahlia Society, Trial grounds, at New Brunswick N. J.	Net 25.00	10.00
Earl Williams. (Doolittle) Dec. —A unique and attractive dahlia. The color is a combination of brilliant crimson and white. Large flowers on straight stems	2.00	1.00

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Ebenezer. (Vincent) H. C. —Amaranth purple blended with tyrian rose, reverse of petals mallow purple; free flowering, good stems	3.00	1.50
Edith Slocombe. (Slocombe) H. C. —A fine type of Hybrid cactus with long wiry stem. Color rich purplish-garnet shades, velvet maroon	2.50	1.25
Elizabeth Butler. (Butler-Bessie Boston) H. C. —The color as described by the introducer: "The color is the same as the old favorite Futurity, except it shades to a soft yellow as the petals recede toward the centre. This hybrid cactus has large size and stem"	2.50	1.25
Elizabeth Slocombe. (Slocombe) Dec. —Color rich purplish-garnet. The large flowers are carried on long stiff stems	2.00	1.00
Eliza Clark Bull. (Bessie Boston) Dec. —One of the best white decoratives to date. Large flowers of perfect form, with splendid stem and growth. Plants only.....		3.00
El Granada. (Bessie Boston) H. C. —An immense orange and gold hybrid cactus. We grew this to perfection in our gardens last fall and must say that it came up to expectations. The flowers are well formed, of good depth and the stem long and stiff. Stock very scarce	10.00	5.00
Eldorado. (Bessie Boston) Dec. —Dwarf growing variety with large deep flowers of pure golden yellow, with splendid stems. A beauty	5.00	2.50
Elinor Vanderveer (Seal) Dec. —A sensation in 1925. Described by the introducer as follows: "An incomparable dahlia of exquisite beauty and great size; having every desirable quality. The large blossoms are of a glowing, satiny, rose pink. The flowers are of great depth and substance, and are held far above a tall, sturdy bush, on exceptionally long, stiff stems"	Net 7.50	4.00
Enchantress. () Dec. —A Holland introduction of Chrysanthemum-flowered form composed of long, recurving petals of a glistening salmon-rose with golden suffusion	1.00	
Elsie Oliver. (Bessie Boston) H. C. —Large flower of perfect form. Color creamy pink shading to cream at center, free flowering and good stem	2.50	1.25
Esther Hunt. (Bessie Boston) H. C. —The color is oriental orange. The large blooms are composed of long, well rolled petals with serrated tips	3.50	1.75
Esther R. Holmes. (Greinberg) H. C. —Very free flowering variety, color orchid pink, good stem	1.50	.75

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Francis Lobdell (Waite) H. C. —Marshmallow pink and white. Strong growing plants that are a mass of bloom all season. Awarded the A. D. S. Certificate of Merit, Storrs, Conn., 1922	2.50	1.25
F. W. Fellows. (Stredwick) C. —The best all around cactus in my opinion for garden or exhibition. Orange color; large, perfect flowers. No garden complete without this fine variety .....	.75	
Geo. C. Meachen. (Meachen & Sherman) Dec. —A giant flower of great depth, color pinard yellow with reverse of petals showing rose pink. Strong stem holds flowers well up above foliage.	5.00	2.50
George Walters. (Carter) H. C. —An immense flower of a pleasing shade of salmon-pink, gradually becoming yellow at the base of the petals. Early and free flowering. Always a prize winner .....	.75	
Gee Whiz (Broomall) H. C. —An immense flower; the color is soft buff shaded with salmon	1.00	
Golden Queen (Stredwick) Dec. —A free flowering, narrow petaled variety, the deep yellow, flowers are held above the foliage on good stems. A mass of bloom all summer	3.50	1.75
Gladys Bates. (Bessie Boston) C. —A free flowering variety of the American Cactus type. Flowers large and of a beautiful tan color, the reverse of the petals rose. Good stems	1.00	
Gladys Sherwood. (Broomall) H. C. —Pure white, large flowers often 9 inches in diameter, without disbudding, very free flowering, strong stems. A prize winner every time	1.50	
Gloriana. (Hodgens) Dec. —Immense, flowers of pure gold color, slightly reddish towards center. Long leafless stems. None better for exhibition or cutting	1.00	
Golden West. (Broomall) H. C. —A popular cut flower variety, very free flowering and a great keeper when cut. Color deep yellow overlaid with orange. Good stems .....	.50	
Grizzly. (Burns) Dec. —Deep velvety red, vigorous grower with large flowers held well above the foliage on long stiff stems. Should be in every collection	1.00	
Grisette (Bessie Boston) H. C. —Large flowers of good form, carried on good stems. The color is old gold, with pink suffusion; good exhibition and cut flower variety.....	4.00	2.00
Henry Jr. (Broderick) Dec. —A fine garden variety, free flowering and for cutting all that can be desired. Color lemon yellow with pink shadings75	

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Helen Hollis. Sh. —Scarlet. A fine show variety, the large flowers are held well above the foliage on strong stems	.50	
Hercules. (Marean) Dec. —Tangerine with yellow, large flower, medium stems	2.00	
Hollywood. (Vincent) C. —A free flowering variety, deep salmon pink color, very desirable	2.50	1.25
Ida Tarbell () Dec. —A dwarf growing variety, with immense flowers carried on the top of stiff stems. Color deep maroon	3.50	1.75
Islam Patrol. (Davies) H. C. —This large, red and gold variety should be in every collection. The stiff stem shows flowers to good advantage	5.00	3.00
Jean Chazot or Gay Paree. () H. C. —A splendid variety imported from France. A free, upright grower, with stems that hold the flowers well up above the foliage, color golden bronze with faint suffusion of red	1.50	.75
Jersey's Ideal (Waite) Dec. New 1926 —An immense bloom of deep lavender, overlaid with a silver sheen. The flowers are carried on good stems. A. D. S. Certificate of Merit, Storrs, Conn., 1925, (85 points)	Net 10.00	5.00
Jersey's Wonder (Waite) Dec. New 1926 —Another fine variety from Mr. Waite. The color is Apricot yellow, slightly shaded with pinard yellow; large flowers on good stems. A. D. S. Certificate of Merit, Storrs, Conn. 1925 (86 points)	Net 10.00	5.00
Jersey's Supreme (Waite) Dec. New 1926 —A splendid variety, the flowers are large and of good form. Color pale rosalane purple, reverse of petal rosalane pink. Stiff upright stem. A. D. C. Certificate of Merit, Storrs, Conn., 1925 (86 points)	Net 10.00	5.00
Jersey's Sunshine (Waite) Dec. New 1926. —Light green yellow, the large flowers are borne on long stiff stems. A splendid addition to the Jersey family. A. D. S. Certificate of Merit, Storrs, Conn., 1925 (87 points)	Net 10.00	5.00
Jersey's Beacon (Waite) Dec. —Chinese scarlet with paler reverse, giving a two-toned effect, very large flower, on good stem. A prize winner everytime	Net 10.00	5.00
Jersey's Beauty, (Waite) Dec. —Very fine true pink, flowers of perfect shape, produced on long, straight, stiff stems. Very free bloomer, and a splendid keeper. Certificated A. D. S. Storrs, Conn., 1923	3.50	1.75
Jersey's Gem. (Waite) Dec. —Lavender pink, large flowers produced on very long straight, stiff and slender stems. A very free bloomer. Certificated A. D. S. Storrs, Conn., 1923	4.00	2.00

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Jersey's Jewel, (Waite) Dec. —Mallow pink, very large, long petaled flowers, on good stems. A splendid exhibition variety, flowers can be had nine inches without disbudding. Certificated A. D. S. Storrs, Conn., 1923. Winner of many first prizes	5.00	2.50
Jersey's Monarch. (Waite) Dec. —Described by the introducer as follows: "Very large deep flowers, on good stems, color a deep salmon, with yellow at base of petals."	7.50	3.50
Jersey's Radiant. (Waite) H. C. —Bitter sweet orange, large flowers produced on long stiff brown stems well above the foliage. A very attractive variety. Certificated A. D. S. Storrs, Conn., 1923	5.00	2.50
Jersey's Sovereign. (Waite) Dec. —Mr. Waite describes it as follows: "A new shade of color, hard to describe, it is a self color, and the nearest I can come to it with the help of Ridgeway's Chart is Salmon Orange. A vigorous grower with dark foliage, flowers of good size and on good stems."	5.00	2.50
Jessie K. Prescott (Bessie Boston) Dec. —One of the most attractive dahlias in the garden. The color is deep orange, shading to creamy orange at the outer edges of the flower. Good stems	3.00	1.50
John Lewis Childs. (Bessie Boston) Dec. —One of the most variable dahlias. Yellow, splashed and striped with brilliant scarlet, generally tipped white. Like most bi-color dahlias it sometimes throws flowers of one color. Large flowers on good stems	1.00	
John Ridg. (Stredwick) C. —Large flower of a deep crimson color. Fine for exhibition .....	.75	
Judge Marean. (Marean) Dec. —This is indeed one of the finest varieties in cultivation. The color is a combination of glowing salmon pink, red, iridescent orange, yellow and pure gold. Immense flowers on strong stems, early and wonderful free flowering. It should be included in every dahlia collection	2.00	1.00
Judge Alton B. Parker. (Marean) Dec. —Golden buff. Flower large, splendid form. Fine exhibition variety	1.00	
Junior. (Seal) Dec. —An enormous flower of pure lavender, splendid for exhibiting	3.00	1.50
Jupiter. (Marean) Dec. —Rosy Red. Most attractive in garden and exhibition	1.00	
Kalif. H. C. —Scarlet. One of the best in its color. The flowers are large and of perfect form, long stem and free flowering50	

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King of the Autumn. Dec.—Beautiful autumn shade. Color buff-yellow suffused terra-cotta. Very free flowering, long stems, excellent for cut flower and garden decorations	1.00	
Kitty Dunlap. (Bessie Boston) Dec.—Large perfectly formed flowers carried well above the foliage on long stiff stems. The color is that of the American Beauty rose. An ideal variety in every respect	2.00	1.00
Kiwanis. (Vincent) H. C.—Pale green yellow, deeper yellow at center. Free flowering, good stem. A. D. S. Certificate of Merit, Storrs, Conn., 1923	2.00	1.00
Lelita Velasco. (Bessie Boston) C.—A white cactus. Large flowers on long stiff stems	3.50	1.50
Liberty Bond. (Broomall) Dec.—Large flowers of buff bronze and orange shades. Strong stem that holds flowers well up above foliage	1.50	1.25
Mabel Thatcher. (Marean) Dec.—The color is a pure yellow, the form of the flower is splendid; stems somewhat pendant	2.00	
Margaret Masson (Fisher & Masson) Dec.—A wonderful exhibition flower, the color is silvery rose pink, flowers large and deep, good stem and free flowering	Net 7.50	4.00
Mariposa. (Bessie Boston) H. C.—Pink suffused with lilac, an extra large flower, good grower and fine stem. An excellent exhibition variety	3.50	1.75
Meadow Lark (Burns) Dec.—Large flowers of a beautiful combination of shadings of buff and straw. The flowers are carried well above the foliage on long stiff stems....	5.00	2.50
Mordella (King-Kemp) Dec.—You will like this fine variety. The color is a bright clear shade of apricot buff. The large flowers are carried on long stems well above the foliage	5.00	2.50
Minamoto. (Minamoto-Boston) H. C.—Very large flowers of bright scarlet. Stem long and stiff, holds flowers well up .....	.50	
McGregor. (Mastick) H. C.—Large full flowers on strong stems, color spectrum red, free flowering. A. D. S. Certificate of Merit, 1922	2.50	1.25
Mephistopheles. (Marean) Dec.—Immense flowers of vivid scarlet, points of petals tipped with yellow, produced on top of long stiff stems. A grand exhibition variety	2.00	1.00

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Mrs. Carl Salbach. (Salbach) Dec. —A prize winner every time. The color is a beautiful shade of pink. The flowers are perfectly formed, and are held high up above the foliage on long stiff stems. Awarded Gold Medal by the California Dahlia Society, also Certificate of Merit by the A. D. S., Storrs, Conn., 1919	1.00	
Mrs. Edna Spencer. (Spencer) C. —A most beautiful flower. The color is an exquisite shade of lavender or orchid pink. The lovely color and good keeping qualities makes this an exceptionally fine cut flower	1.00	
Mrs. Ethel F. T. Smith. (Broomall) H. C. —One of the largest dahlias grown, without disbudding one can easily get blooms 9-10 inches in diameter. The color is creamy white, shading to lemon yellow towards the center; good stem	1.50	.75
Mrs. Eleanor Martin (Pelicano) Dec. —One of the best 1924 introductions. The color is a beautiful mulberry suffused with gold, the form is perfect, and the large flowers are carried on long stiff stems. Should be in every collection	4.00	2.00
Mrs. Geo. Elkins Jr. (Root) Dec. —Large flower, the color is salmon pink suffused with old gold; wiry stem. A. D. S. Certificate of Merit, Storrs, Conn., 1922 (86 points).....	2.00	
Mrs. John Scheepers. (Marean) Dec. —An immense flower, color a clear canary yellow, with pink suffusing. A beauty	3.00	1.50
Mrs. I. De Ver Warner. (Marean) Dec. —To fully appreciate this beautiful flower one must see it growing. The color is a pleasing shade of mauve pink, perfect form, and immense size. The stem is long and holds the flower well up	1.50	
Mrs. Mary Bowman. (Bowman) Sh. —Immense flower of deep golden yellow, the reverse of petal slightly tinged magenta. Very free flowering, splendid stem .....	.50	
Mrs W. E. Estes. (Estes) H. C. —Pure white, flowers of great size and depth, stems hold flowers well up above foliage	1.00	
Mrs. E. A. Oliver. (Spacher) Dec. —A pleasing shade of old rose with golden suffusion. Large flowers on long stiff stems.	3.50	1.25
Papillon (Bessie Boston) H. C. —Large flowers of a beautiful shade of old rose, with golden suffusion; early, and very free flowering; good strong stems	3.00	1.50

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Patrick O'Mara (Vincent) Dec. —Orange buff shaded rose pink. The best keeping dahlia when cut that I know. Strong stems. A. D. S. Certificate of Merit, Storrs, Conn., 1920	1.00	
Paul Michael. (Michael) Dec. —In the largest flower class this variety is hard to beat. Color, pure gold, shading to orange-buff at center	2.00	1.00
Patapsco. (Vincent) H. C. —Very free flowering, color, soft orchid pink, stems hold flowers well up above foliage	2.50	1.25
Pierott. (Stredwick) C. —A very unique variety. The flowers are large and are composed of long, narrow tubular petals of deep amber, tipped white. Very free flowering and very attractive both in the garden and on the exhibition table .....	.75	
President Wilson. (Jones) Dec. —No flower attracted so much attention in our gardens last year as this variety. The color is vermillion red tipped white, a most striking combination of colors; flowers of perfect form, large size on stiff stems	2.50	1.25
Pride of California. (Lohrmann) Dec. —One of the best red decoratives. A robust grower and very free flowering. The large deep red flowers are borne high above the foliage on long, stiff stems. A good keeper when cut .....	.75	
Purity. Dec. —Free flowering, pure white variety; with long stiff stems, fine for cutting or exhibition .....	.50	
Queen Mab. (Bessie Boston) Dec. —A graceful narrow petaled variety, the color is pale pink shading to white in the center; free flowering; wiry stem	2.00	
Regent. (Bessie Boston) C. —Beautiful flower of clear mauve pink; the large flowers are held well up on good stems, very free flowering; splendid for exhibition and cutting	1.50	.75
Rienzi. (Bessie Boston) Dec. —"Big, bold flowers of great depth and of unique coloring, bright scarlet verging on vermillion, with reverse of gold." Stems stiff, holds flowers well up. One of the best in our garden last season	3.00	1.50
Rosa Nell. (Broomall) Dec. —A large flower of clear bright pink color. Perfect form; good stems. A splendid dahlia in every respect	2.50	1.25
Rotarian. (Vincent) H. C. —Tyrian Rose and amaranth purple, shading to pansy purple in center; free flowering, good stem. A. D. S. Certificate of Merit, Storrs, Conn., 1923	2.50	1.25

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Robert Treat (Mueller) Dec. —Color American Beauty Rose; this variety has won several cups and medals during the past two seasons. The large flowers are held perfectly erect on strong stems	5.00	2.50
Sanhican's Blue Bird (Fisher & Masson) Dec. —A dwarf growing variety; early and free flowering. The color is a beautiful violet blue. Good stem	3.50	1.75
Shelikoff. (Mastick) Dec. —Color a beautiful deep garnet. The flowers are of perfect form, large and deep. Long stiff stems. A. D. S. Certificate of Merit, Storrs, Conn., 1920	1.00	
St. Francis. (Bessie Boston) Dec. —Large, well formed flowers of a soft cream color with shading of pink. Good stem and keeping quality	3.50	1.50
Shudow's Lavender. (Bessie Boston) Dec. —Large flowers of a delightful old rose suffused with lilac, and shadings of greenish white towards center. The stems are long and erect holding the large flowers well above the foliage	4.00	2.00
Snowdrift. (Broomall) Dec. —Large white decorative. The large flowers are perfect in form, with broad waxy, pure white petals. A splendid keeper. Fine for exhibition .....	.75	
Susan G. Tevis (Bessie Boston) Dec. —Deep lilac with bluish tone. A vigorous grower with dark, bronze foliage, large flowers, strong stem	5.00	2.50
Sydney Jones (Stredwick) C. —A fine cactus variety, the florets are long and very narrow; color a clear deep pink, with shadings of yellow at base, tips of petals white.....	1.50	1.00
Tehachepi (Broomall) H. C. —This might well be called Yellow Gladys Sherwood, form and habits being somewhat similar. A fine yellow and worthy of a place in every garden	3.50	1.50
T. A. Leonard. (Bessie Boston) Dec. —An attractive and free flowering variety, color deep carmine rose. The large flowers with their peculiar petal formation always draws attention in the garden. Stem good	2.50	1.25
The Eagle. (Burns) H. C. —A sulphur yellow hybrid cactus, florets slightly reflex, a large flower; a good keeper with long stiff stems. Free flowering	1.00	
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CLASSIFICATION OF DAHLIAS

AS ADOPTED BY THE AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY

Cactus Dahlias. a. True, fluted type. Flowers fully double; floral rays (petals) long, narrow, incurved or twisted, with sharp, divided, or fluted points and with revolute (rolled back) margins, forming, in the outer florets, a more or less perfect tube for more than half the length of the ray.

b. Hybrid cactus or semi-cactus type: Flowers fully double; floral rays short as compared with previous type, broad, flat, recurved or twisted, not sharply pointed except when tips are divided (staghorn), margins only slightly revolute, and tubes of outer florets, if any, less than half the length of the ray.

Decorative Dahlias. Double flowers, full to center in early season, flat rather than ball-shaped, with broad, flat, somewhat loosely arranged floral rays with broad points or rounded tips which are straight or decurved (turned down or back), not incurved, and with margins revolute if rolled at all.

Ball-Shaped, Double Dahlias. a. Show type: Double flowers, globular or ball-shaped rather than broad or flat, full to center, showing regular spiral arrangement of florets; floral rays more or less quilled or with markedly involute margins and rounded tips.

(The class called Fancy Dahlias is not recognized separately in this classification, but is included in the sub-section A.)

b. Hybrid show, giant show or colossal type: Flowers fully double, broadly hemi-spherical to flatly globular in form, loosely built so spiral arrangement of florets is not immediately evident; floral rays broad, heavy, cupped or quilled, with rounded tips and involute margins.

c. Pompon type: Shape and color may be same as A or B; but must be under two inches in diameter.

Paeony-flowered, or "Art" Dahlias. Semi-double flowers with open center, the inner floral rays being usually curled or twisted, the other or outer petals being either flat or more or less irregular.

Duplex Dahlias. Semi-double flowers, with center almost exposed on opening of bud, with petals in more than one row, more than 12, long and flat, or broad and rounded, not noticeably twisted or curled. Many so-called Paeony-flowered Dahlias belong here.

Single Dahlias. Open centered Dahlias, small to very large, with 8 to 12 floral rays, more or less in one circle, margins often decurved (turned down or back). There are no distinctions as to colors. The type embraces the large Twentieth Century, as well as small English varieties.

Collarette Dahlias. Single type: Open centered blossoms with not more than nine floral rays with one or more smaller rays, usually of a different color, from heart of each ray floret, making a collar about the disc.

Anemone-Flowered Dahlias. Flowers with one row of large floral rays like single Dahlias, but with each disc flower producing small, tubular petals.